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Enclosed for filing in the above-identified patent application, please find the following documents:

1. Response to Office Communication mailed November 15, 2004; and
2. Return Post Card.

The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any fees to Deposit Account No. 16-0085, Reference 9409/2122. A duplicate of this transmittal letter is enclosed for this purpose.

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Response to Office Communication

Sir:

This amendment is submitted in response to the Office Communication and the Notice to Comply with Sequence Rules 37 C.F.R. §§1.821-1.825 attached thereto, mailed from the Patent Office on November 8, 2004, copies of which are attached.

The Office Communication notes that there are sequences contained within the specification which are not properly designated by SEQ ID NO. as required by 37 C.F.R. §1.821(d). Applicants submit that the sequences noted in the Office Communication already appear in the Sequence Listing (previously filed), and have amended the specification as shown

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and remarks.